

Exploration of BSM Physics at the ILC

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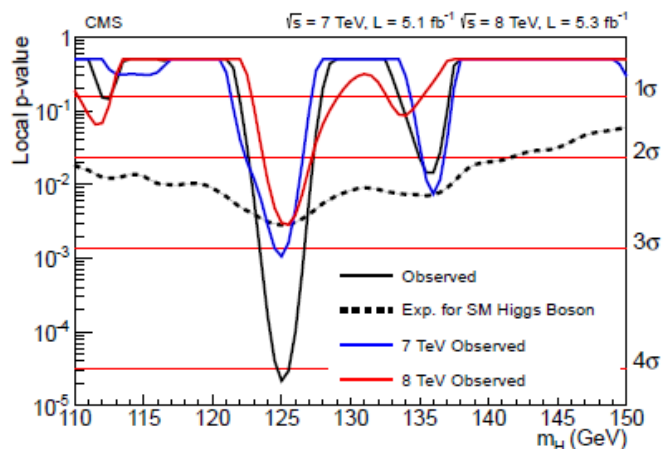
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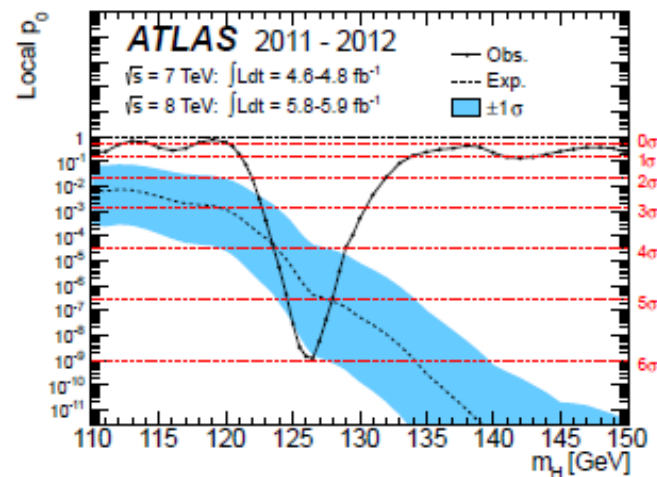
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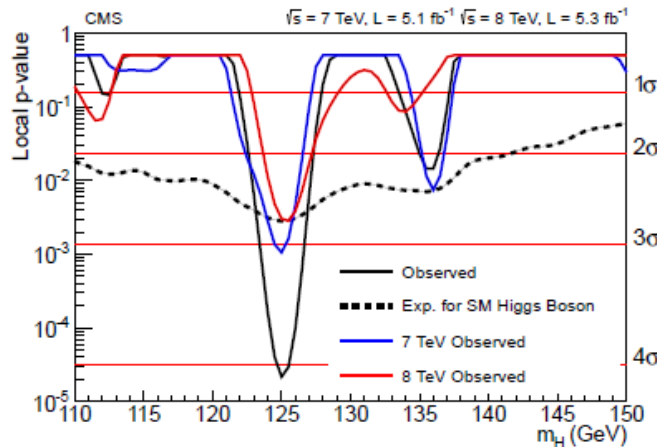
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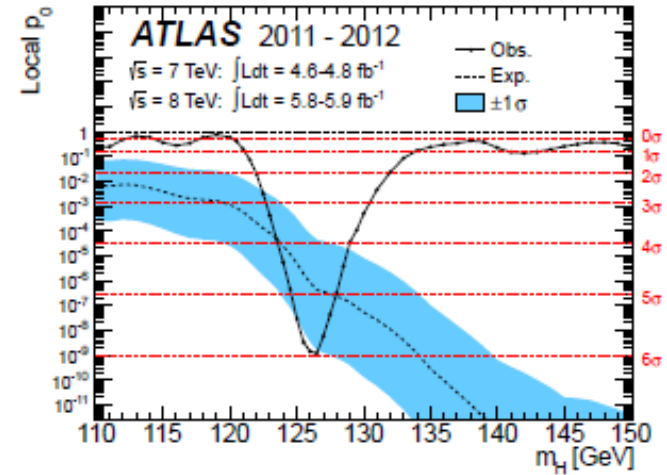
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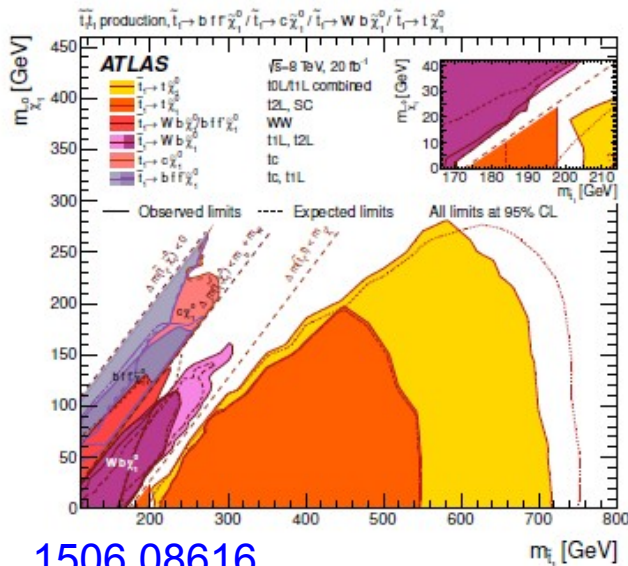


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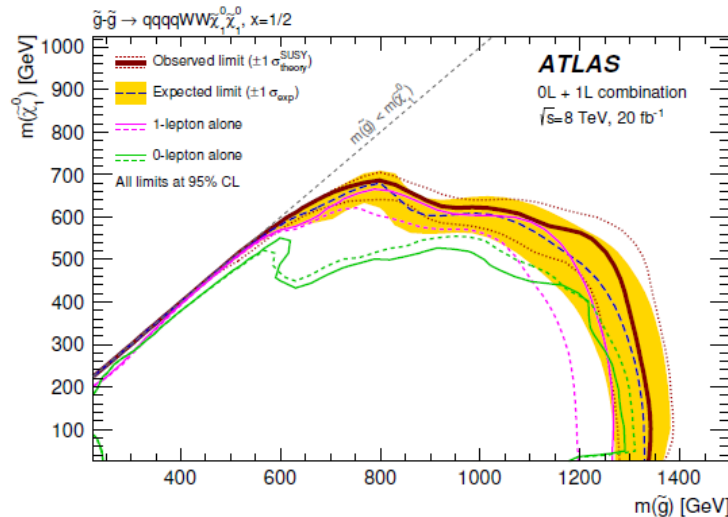


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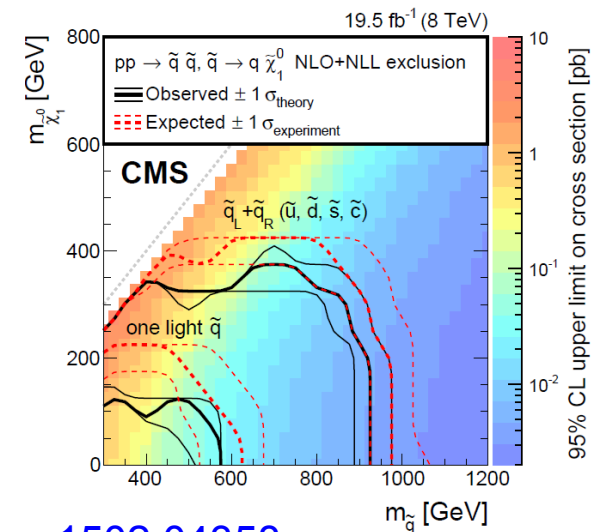
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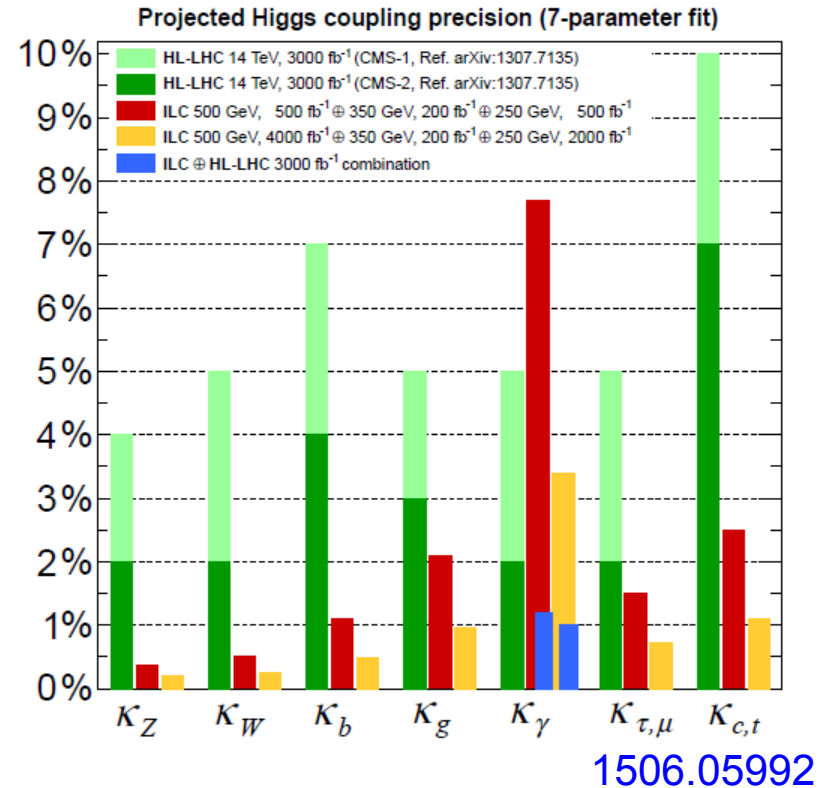
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What a e^+e^- collider can tell us on NP

- ◆ A **new particle** announced in July 2012
Precision measurement of its couplings



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What can the ILC tell us about new resonances?

Some very interesting questions I want to discuss in this talk:
What about:

1. Light Staus?
2. Light Higgsinos?
3. New (rare) decay modes of the Higgs?

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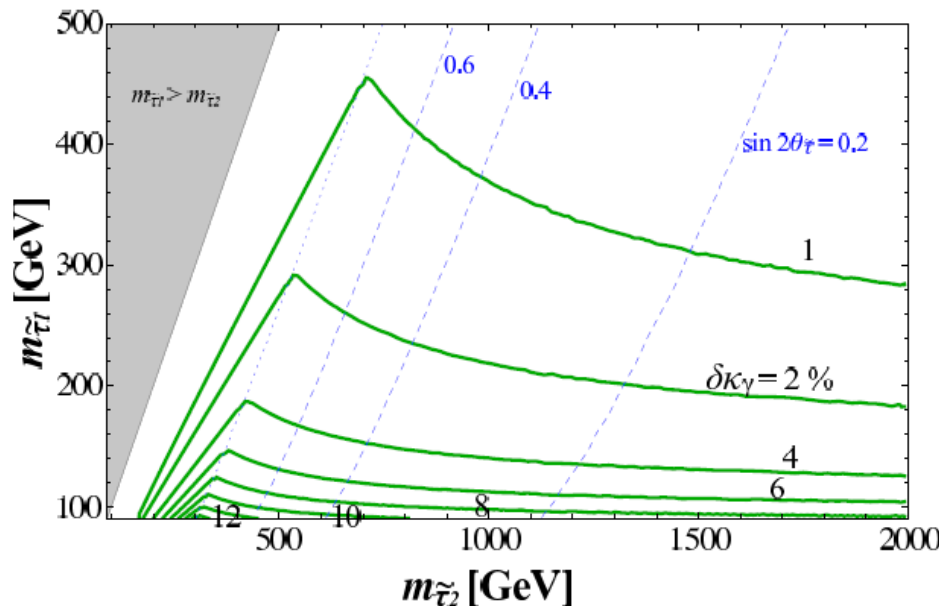
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- ◆ Theoretically very interesting
 - DM scenarios with stau-neutralino coannihilation
 - Good candidate to enhance the Higgs di-photon rate

Carena, SG, Shah,
Wagner, 1112.3336

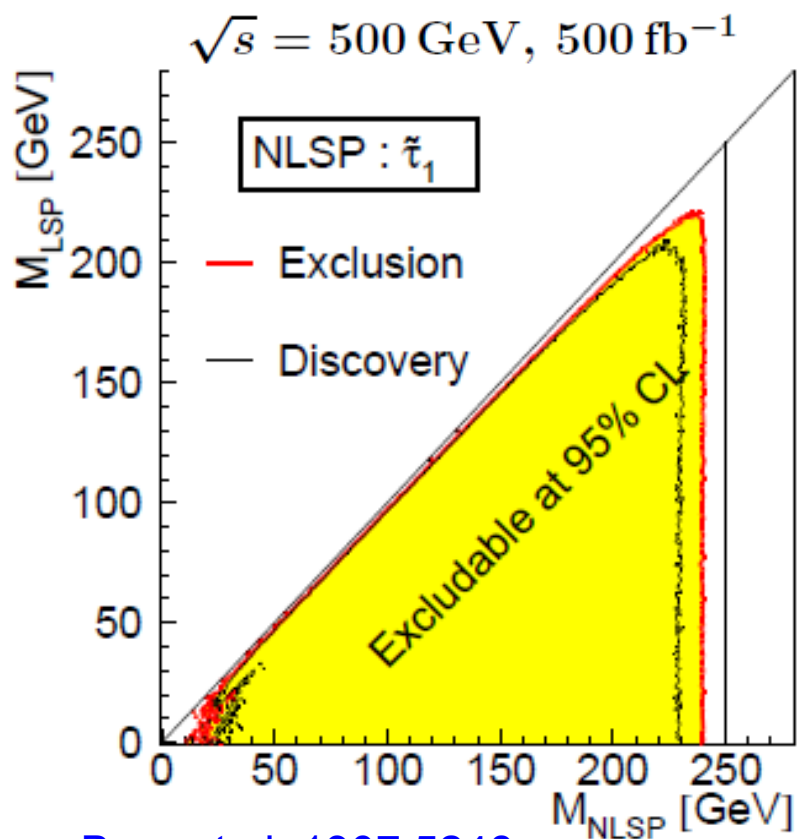


3 free parameters: $m_{\tilde{\tau}_1}$, $m_{\tilde{\tau}_2}$, $\theta_{\tilde{\tau}}$
one of which ($\theta_{\tilde{\tau}}$) constrained
by vacuum stability bounds

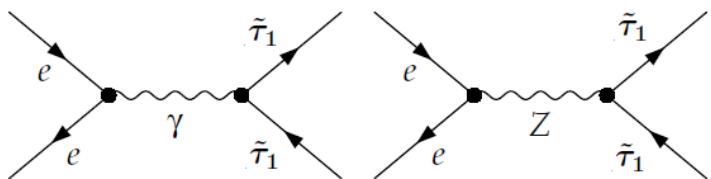
Carena, SG, Low, Shah,
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Yoshinaga, 1401.3748

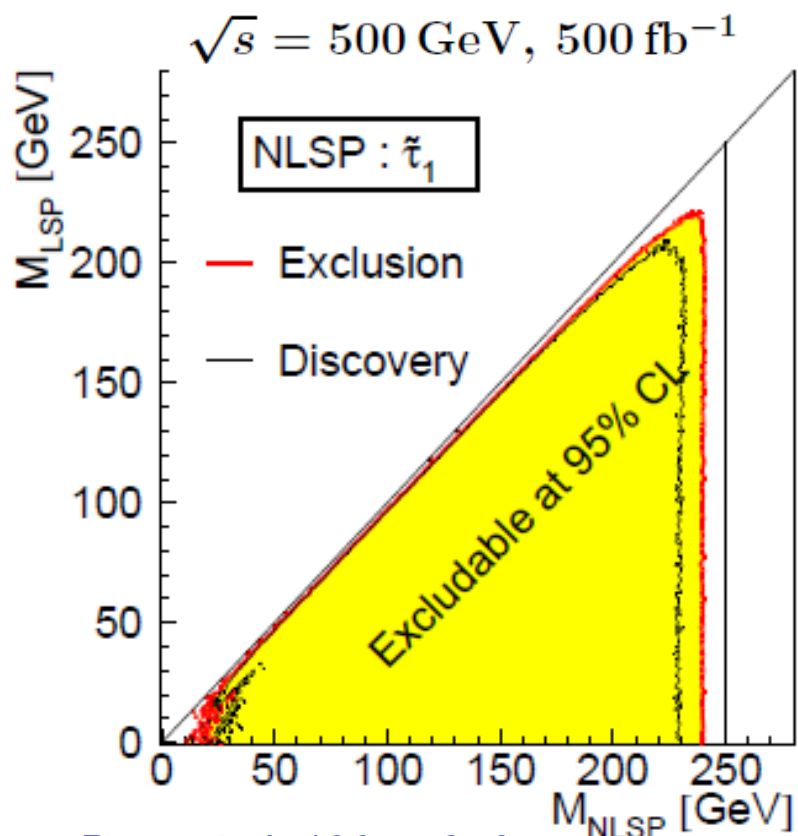
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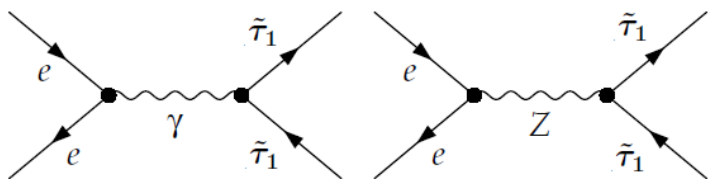
Baer et al. 1307.5248



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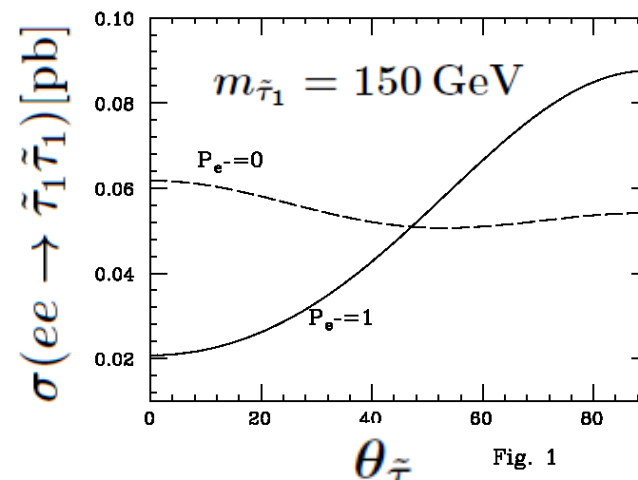
What about the $\tilde{\tau}_1 \tilde{\tau}_2$ production?

Precise determination of the stau spectrum:

- With threshold scan
 $\tilde{\tau}_1$ mass with $O(1\text{GeV})$ uncertainty
 See for example
 Belanger et al 0803.2584

- Mixing angle between the two staus determined from the measurement of the cross section

$\theta_{\tilde{\tau}}$ with (2-3)% uncertainty



Nojiri, 9412374

- LSP composition determined by the polarization of the tau from the stau decay: $\tilde{\tau}_1 \rightarrow \tau \tilde{\chi}_1^0$

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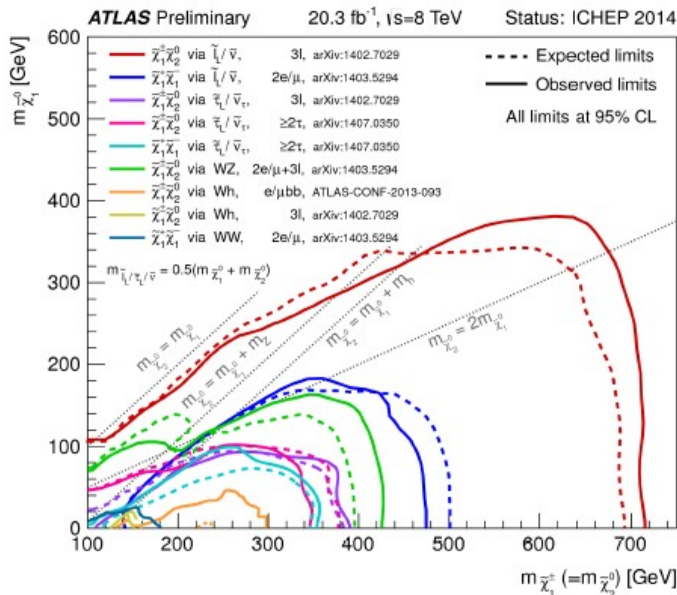
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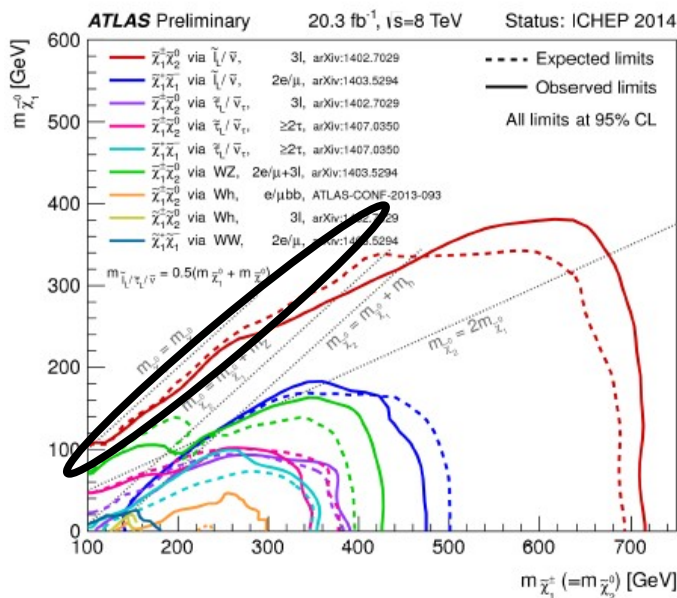
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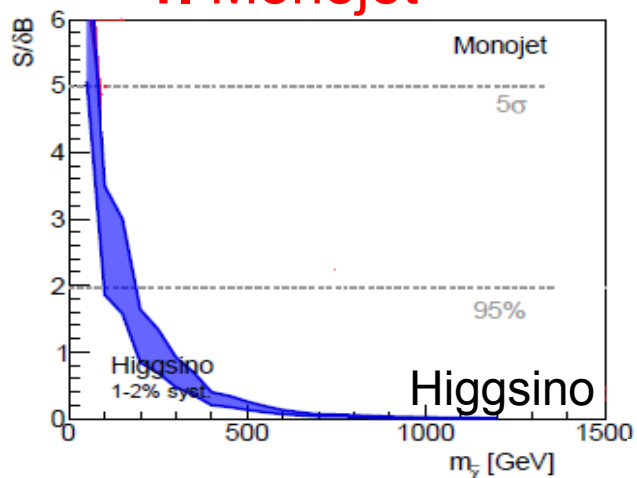


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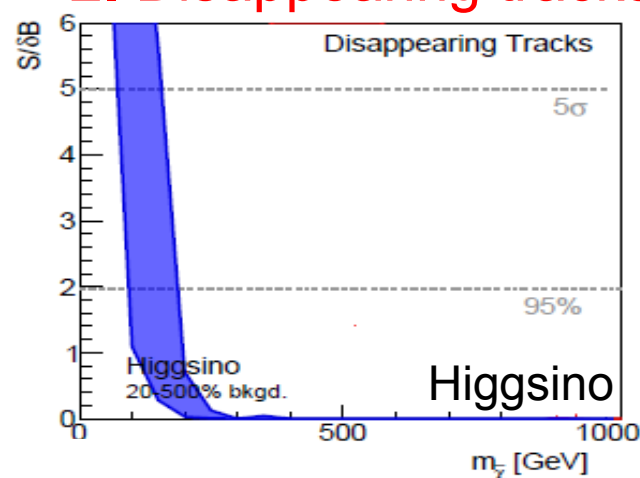
- ◆ A particularly interesting scenario: **light Higgsinos**
Higgsinos are the first particles to be light because of naturalness arguments
- ◆ Some theory proposal for improving the search for EW compressed spectra at the LHC

1. Monojet



Low, Wang,
1404.0682

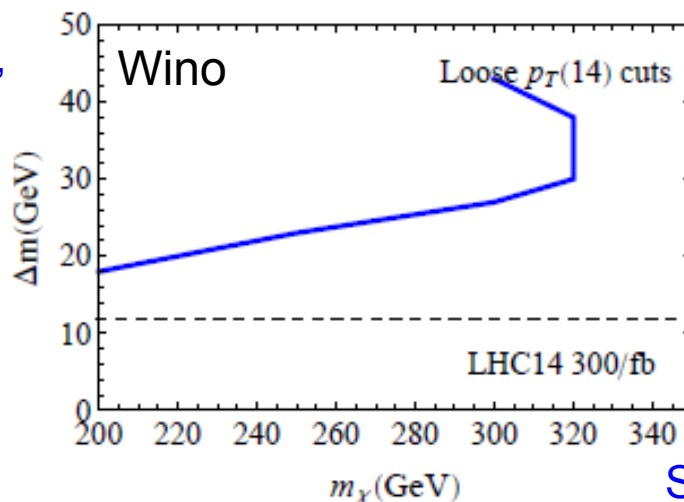
2. Disappearing tracks



See also Schwaller, Zurita, 1312.7350,
Baer et al. 1401.1162, ...

3. ISR jet + soft leptons

See also Han et al. 1401.1235
Baer et al. 1409.7058

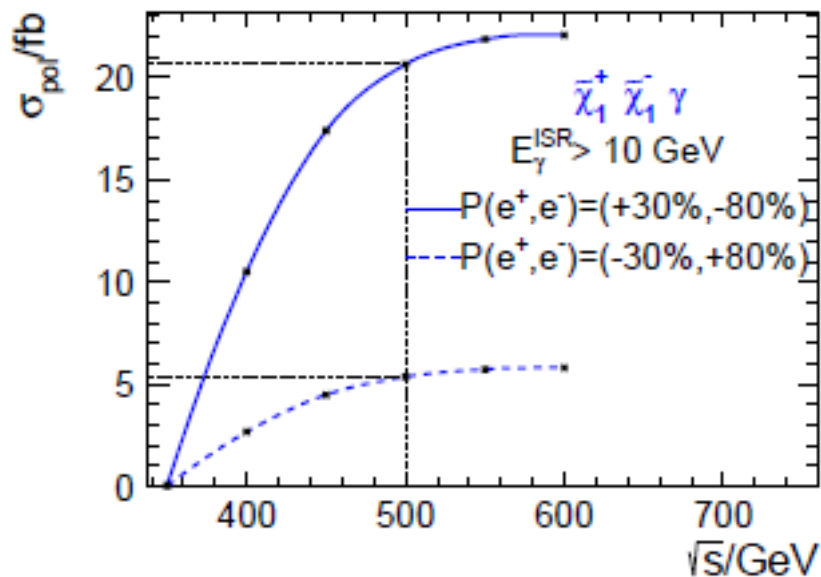


SG, Jung, Wang, 1307.5952

Light Higgsinos at the ILC

- Production of a pair of Higgsinos in association with a ISR photon at the ILC

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^- \gamma \rightarrow (\pi \tilde{\chi}_1^0)(l\nu \tilde{\chi}_1^0) \gamma$$



For the benchmark dM770 in
[Berggren et al. 1307.3566](#)

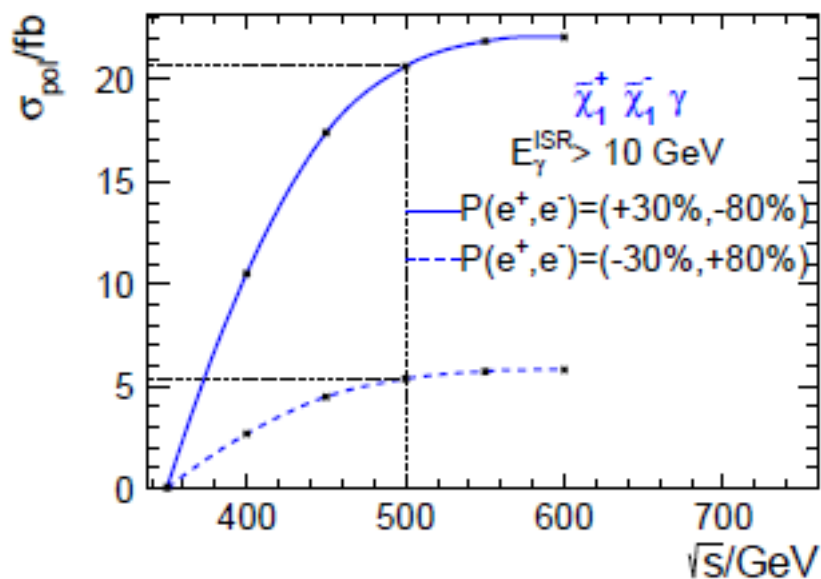
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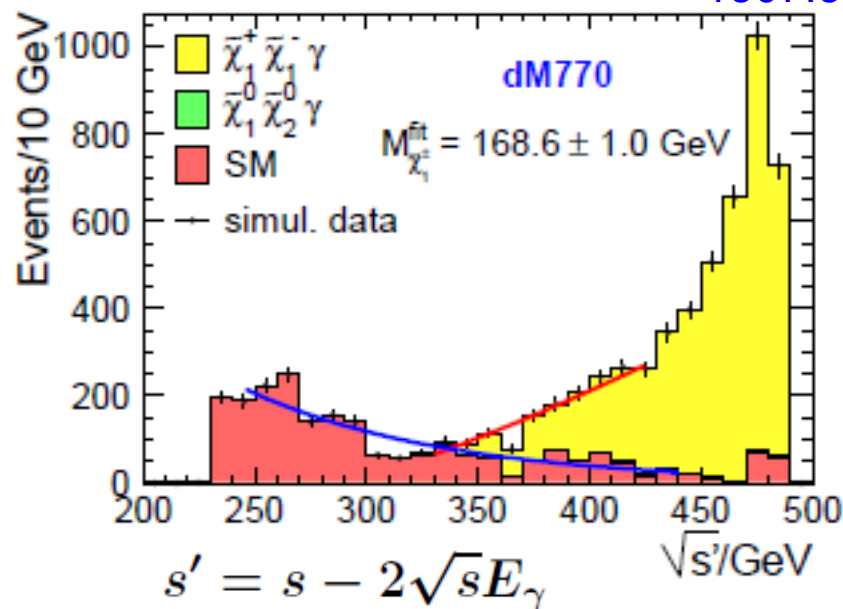
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- Mass of the Higgsino determined from a fit to the distribution near the end point

Berggren et al. 1307.3566



- Mass splitting between NLSP and LSP determined by fitting the energy distribution of the pion coming from the Higgsino decay

$$\Delta_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm - \tilde{\chi}_1^0}^{\text{rec}} = (810 \pm 40) \text{ MeV}$$

3. Higgs (rare) exotic decays

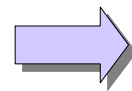
- ◆ The ILC will be a **Higgs factory**:

$$\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}, \mathcal{L} = 500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 350 \text{ GeV}, \mathcal{L} = 200 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 250 \text{ GeV}, \mathcal{L} = 500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

After a luminosity upgrade:



More than a million Higgses

$$\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}, \mathcal{L} = 3500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 250 \text{ GeV}, \mathcal{L} = 1500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

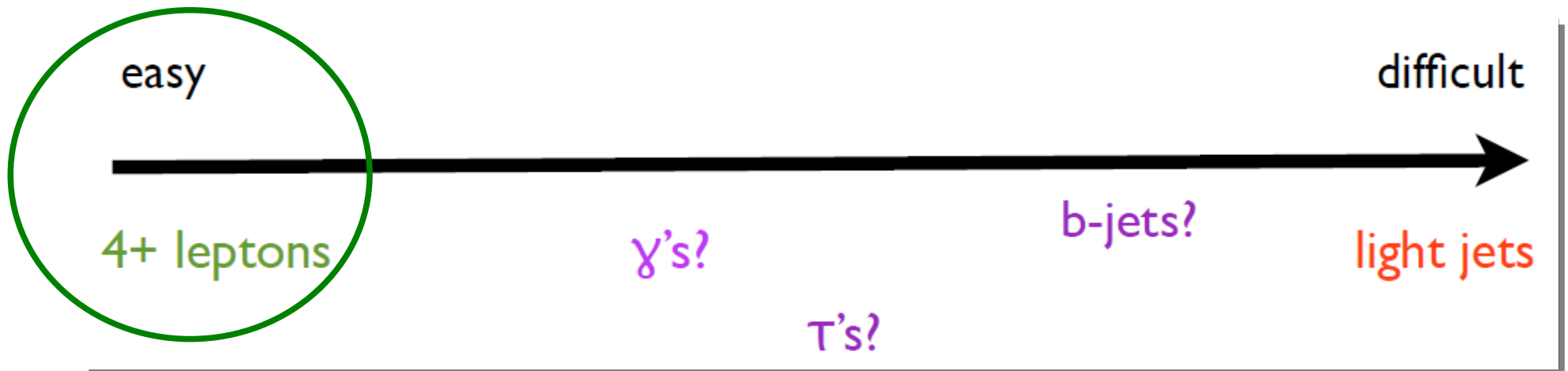
LCC Physics Working Group, 1506.05992

- ◆ The Higgs can have **new decay modes**: $h \rightarrow \text{NP particles}$
 - Models for DM, neutral naturalness, baryogenesis, ...
 - At the **LHC**, the determination of the Higgs total width has some **model dependence** and is at the level of **~10%** at the HL-LHC (Higgs coupling fits, ZZ off-shell measurements, $\gamma\gamma$ interference effects, ...)
 - At the **ILC**, **model independent determination of the Higgs total width** from Zh production. Uncertainty at the level of **~2%**

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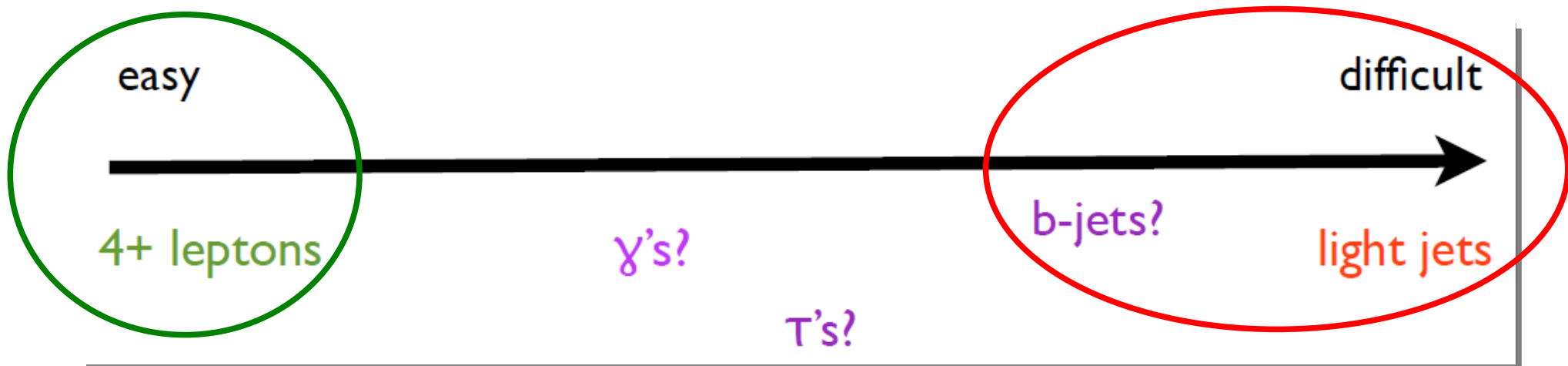
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Curtin, Essig, SG,
Shelton 1412.0018

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Example:



(as in the NMSSM)

Background limited at the LHC.

Theory studies show that BRs ~ 0.1
might be reached [Cao et al, 1309.4939](#)

What can the ILC say about these
difficult decay modes?

Conclusions

In addition to precision Higgs and top measurements ...

The ILC offers impressive opportunities to probe
New Physics scenarios difficult for the LHC

1. Light staus
 2. Light Higgsinos
 3. New (rare) decay modes of the Higgs?
- } Connection to Dark Matter models

Closing the loopholes